



## **The Reginald F. Lewis Museum of Maryland African American History and Culture**

Opening in 2004, the largest African American museum on the east coast located in Baltimore's Inner Harbor on the corner of Pratt and President Streets.



The architectural design of the museum won the 2001 Isosceles Award and unanimous approval from both the State Architectural Review Board and the Baltimore City Design Advisory Panel.

The new facility will accommodate ample permanent and temporary exhibition space, interactive learning environments; theater, state-of-the-art resource center, oral history recording and listening studio, museum shop, café, distance learning center provided by Verizon Communications, rooftop terrace and reception areas.

Partnership with the Maryland State Department of Education (MSDE) to develop curriculum that educates students of all ages about the contributions and experiences of African American Marylanders, past to present. The partnership with the MSDE will assist in serving more than 850,000 students and 50,000 teachers.



The museum will enhance the state's economic and tourism development of the Inner Harbor East improvement initiative as part of the Heritage Walk Cultural Alliance with more than 34 museums and historic sites.

Received a \$31 million State appropriation and has raised over \$2 million toward \$3 million State match from corporate and private donations.

Received a \$5 million endowment gift from the Reginald F. Lewis Foundation to fund its educational initiatives.

In 2003, the museum hosted a groundbreaking celebration to begin construction of the new facility. In addition, the museum became a member of the Smithsonian Affiliations program that offers non-profit and cultural organizations the opportunity to have greater access to Smithsonian collections and resources.

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